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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed Dec. 28, 2006. This response is timely filed because it is being filed with a request for a two-month extension of time, which extends the response due date to Tuesday, May 29, 2007, Monday being a federal holiday. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.